SENATE BILL No. 258

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-5; IC 21-2-5.6-2.

Synopsis: School corporation insurance. Allows school corporations to enter into interlocal agreements to: (1) purchase insurance coverage; and (2) establish a cooperative risk management program to provide for coverage of certain risks of the school corporations.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2005.

Kenley

January 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Insurance and Financial Institutions.



y



First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

C

SENATE BILL No. 258

0

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

p

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

У

SECTION 1. IC 20-5-2-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. In carrying out the school purposes of each school corporation, its governing body acting on its behalf shall have the following specific powers:

- (1) In the name of the school corporation, to sue and be sued and to enter into contracts in matters permitted by applicable law.
- (2) To take charge of, manage, and conduct the educational affairs of the school corporation and to establish, locate, and provide the necessary schools, school libraries, other libraries where permitted by law, other buildings, facilities, property, and equipment therefor.
- (2.5) To appropriate from the general fund an amount, not to exceed the greater of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) per budget year or one dollar (\$1) per pupil, not to exceed twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500), based upon the school corporation's previous year's average daily membership (as defined in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) for the purpose of promoting the best



1

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11 12

13

14

15

1	interests of the school corporation by:
2	(A) the purchase of meals, decorations, memorabilia, or
3	awards;
4	(B) provision for expenses incurred in interviewing job
5	applicants; or
6	(C) developing relations with other governmental units.
7	(3) To acquire, construct, erect, maintain, hold, and to contract for
8	such construction, erection, or maintenance of such real estate,
9	real estate improvements, or any interest in either, as the
10	governing body deems necessary for school purposes, including
11	but not limited to buildings, parts of buildings, additions to
12	buildings, rooms, gymnasiums, auditoriums, playgrounds, playing
13	and athletic fields, facilities for physical training, buildings for
14	administrative, office, warehouse, repair activities, or housing of
15	school owned buses, landscaping, walks, drives, parking areas,
16	roadways, easements and facilities for power, sewer, water,
17	roadway, access, storm and surface water, drinking water, gas,
18	electricity, other utilities and similar purposes, by purchase, either
19	outright for cash (or under conditional sales or purchases money
20	contracts providing for a retention of a security interest by seller
21	until payment is made or by notes where such contract, security
22	retention, or note is permitted by applicable law), by exchange, by
23	gift, by devise, by eminent domain, by lease with or without
24	option to purchase, or by lease under IC 21-5-10, IC 21-5-11, or
25	IC 21-5-12. To repair, remodel, remove, or demolish any such real
26	estate, real estate improvements, or interest in either, as the
27	governing body deems necessary for school purposes, and to
28	contract therefor. To provide for energy conservation measures
29	through utility energy efficiency programs or under a guaranteed
30	energy savings contract as described in IC 36-1-12.5.
31	(4) To acquire such personal property or any interest therein as
32	the governing body deems necessary for school purposes,
33	including but not limited to buses, motor vehicles, equipment,

apparatus, appliances, books, furniture, and supplies, either by

outright purchase for cash, or under conditional sales or purchase

money contracts providing for a security interest by the seller

until payment is made or by notes where such contract, security,

retention, or note is permitted by applicable law, by gift, by

devise, by loan, or by lease with or without option to purchase and

to repair, remodel, remove, relocate, and demolish such personal

property. All purchases and contracts delineated under the powers

given under subdivision (3) and this subdivision shall be subject



34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

1	solely to applicable law relating to purchases and contracting by
2	municipal corporations in general and to the supervisory control
3	of agencies of the state as provided in section 3 of this chapter.
4	(5) To sell or exchange any of such real or personal property or
5	interest therein, which in the opinion of the governing body is not
6	necessary for school purposes, in accordance with IC 20-5-5, to
7	demolish or otherwise dispose of such property if, in the opinion
8	of the governing body, it is not necessary for school purposes and
9	is worthless, and to pay the expenses for such demolition or
10	disposition.
11	(6) To lease any school property for a rental which the governing
12	body deems reasonable or to permit the free use of school
13	property for:
14	(A) civic or public purposes; or
15	(B) the operation of a school age child care program for
16	children aged five (5) through fourteen (14) years that operates
17	before or after the school day, or both, and during periods
18	when school is not in session;
19	if the property is not needed for school purposes. Under this
20	subdivision, the governing body may enter into a long term lease
21	with a nonprofit corporation, community service organization, or
22	other governmental entity, if the corporation, organization, or
23	other governmental entity will use the property to be leased for
24	civic or public purposes or for a school age child care program.
25	However, if the property subject to a long term lease is being paid
26	for from money in the school corporation's debt service fund, then
27	all proceeds from the long term lease shall be deposited in that
28	school corporation's debt service fund so long as the property has
29	not been paid for. The governing body may, at its option, use the
30	procedure specified in IC 36-1-11-10 in leasing property under
31	this subdivision.
32	(7) To employ, contract for, and discharge superintendents,
33	supervisors, principals, teachers, librarians, athletic coaches
34	(whether or not they are otherwise employed by the school
35	corporation and whether or not they are licensed under
36	IC 20-6.1-3), business managers, superintendents of buildings and
37	grounds, janitors, engineers, architects, physicians, dentists,
38	nurses, accountants, teacher aides performing noninstructional
39	duties, educational and other professional consultants, data
40	processing and computer service for school purposes, including
41	but not limited to the making of schedules, the keeping and

analyzing of grades and other student data, the keeping and



preparing of warrants, payroll, and similar data where approved by the state board of accounts as provided below, and such other personnel or services, all as the governing body considers necessary for school purposes. To fix and pay the salaries and compensation of such persons and such services. To classify such persons or services and to adopt schedules of salaries or compensation. To determine the number of such persons or the amount of services thus employed or contracted for. To determine the nature and extent of their duties. The compensation, terms of employment, and discharge of teachers shall, however, be subject to and governed by the laws relating to employment, contracting, compensation, and discharge of teachers. The compensation, terms of employment, and discharge of bus drivers shall be subject to and shall be governed by any laws relating to employment, contracting, compensation, and discharge of bus drivers. The forms and procedures relating to the use of computer and data processing equipment in handling the financial affairs of such school corporation shall be submitted to the state board of accounts for approval to the end that such services shall be used by the school corporation when the governing body determines that it is in the best interests of the school corporation while at the same time providing reasonable accountability for the funds expended.

(8) Notwithstanding the appropriation limitation in subdivision (2.5), when the governing body by resolution deems a trip by an employee of the school corporation or by a member of the governing body to be in the interest of the school corporation, including but not limited to attending meetings, conferences, or examining equipment, buildings, and installation in other areas, to permit such employee to be absent in connection with such trip without any loss in pay and to refund to such employee or to such member his reasonable hotel and board bills and necessary transportation expenses. To pay teaching personnel for time spent in sponsoring and working with school related trips or activities. (9) To transport children to and from school, when in the opinion of the governing body such transportation is necessary, including but not limited to considerations for the safety of such children and without regard to the distance they live from the school, such transportation to be otherwise in accordance with the laws applicable thereto.

(10) To provide a lunch program for a part or all of the students attending the schools of the school corporation, including but not











1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

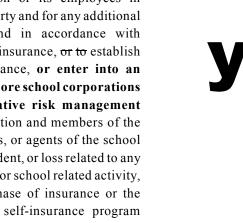
39

40

41 42

limited to the establishment of kitchens, kitchen facilities, kitchen
equipment, lunch rooms, the hiring of the necessary personnel to
operate such program, and the purchase of any material and
supplies therefor, charging students for the operational costs of
such lunch program, fixing the price per meal or per food item. To
operate such lunch program as an extracurricular activity, subject
to the supervision of the governing body. To participate in any
surplus commodity or lunch aid program.

- (11) To purchase textbooks, to furnish them without cost or to rent them to students, to participate in any textbook aid program, all in accordance with applicable law.
- (12) To accept students transferred from other school corporations and to transfer students to other school corporations in accordance with applicable law.
- (13) To levy taxes, to make budgets, to appropriate funds, and to disburse the money of the school corporation in accordance with the laws applicable thereto. To borrow money against current tax collections and otherwise to borrow money, in accordance with IC 20-5-4.
- (14) To purchase insurance, or to establish and maintain a program of self-insurance, or enter into an interlocal agreement with one (1) or more school corporations to establish and maintain a cooperative risk management program relating to the liability of the school corporation or its employees in connection with motor vehicles or property and for any additional coverage to the extent permitted and in accordance with IC 34-13-3-20. To purchase additional insurance, or to establish and maintain a program of self-insurance, or enter into an interlocal agreement with one (1) or more school corporations to establish and maintain a cooperative risk management program protecting the school corporation and members of the governing body, employees, contractors, or agents of the school corporation from any liability, risk, accident, or loss related to any school property, school contract, school or school related activity, including but not limited to the purchase of insurance or the establishment and maintenance of a self-insurance program protecting such persons against false imprisonment, false arrest, libel, or slander for acts committed in the course of their employment, protecting the school corporation for fire and extended coverage and other casualty risks to the extent of replacement cost, loss of use, and other insurable risks relating to any property owned, leased, or held by the school corporation. To:





10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

42

1 2	(A) participate in a state employee health plan under IC 5-10-8-6.6;
3	
4	(B) purchase insurance; or(C) establish and maintain a program of self-insurance;
5	to benefit school corporation employees, which may include
6	accident, sickness, health, or dental coverage, provided that any
7	plan of self-insurance shall include an aggregate stop-loss
8	provision.
9	(15) To make all applications, to enter into all contracts, and to
10	sign all documents necessary for the receipt of aid, money, or
11	property from the state government, the federal government, or
12	from any other source.
13	(16) To defend any member of the governing body or any
14	employee of the school corporation in any suit arising out of the
15	performance of his duties for or employment with, the school
16	corporation, provided the governing body by resolution
17	determined that such action was taken in good faith. To save any
18	such member or employee harmless from any liability, cost, or
19	damage in connection therewith, including but not limited to the
20	payment of any legal fees, except where such liability, cost, or
21	damage is predicated on or arises out of the bad faith of such
22	member or employee, or is a claim or judgment based on his the
23	member's or employee's malfeasance in office or employment.
24	(17) To prepare, make, enforce, amend, or repeal rules,
25	regulations, and procedures for the government and management
26	of the schools, property, facilities, and activities of the school
27	corporation, its agents, employees, and pupils and for the
28	operation of its governing body, which rules, regulations, and
29	procedures may be designated by any appropriate title such as
30	"policy handbook", "bylaws", or "rules and regulations".
31	(18) To ratify and approve any action taken by any member of the
32	governing body, any officer of the governing body, or by any
33	employee of the school corporation after such action is taken, if
34	such action could have been approved in advance, and in
35	connection therewith to pay any expense or compensation
36	permitted under IC 20-5-1 through IC 20-5-6 or any other law.
37	(19) To exercise any other power and make any expenditure in
38	carrying out its general powers and purposes provided in this
39	chapter or in carrying out the powers delineated in this section
40	which is reasonable from a business or educational standpoint in
41	carrying out school purposes of the school corporation, including
42	but not limited to the acquisition of property or the employment



1	or contracting for services, even though such power or
2	expenditure shall not be specifically set out herein. The specific
3	powers set out in this section shall not be construed to limit the
4	general grant of powers provided in this chapter except where a
5	limitation is set out in IC 20-5-1 through IC 20-5-6 by specific
6	language or by reference to other law.
7	SECTION 2. IC 20-5-2-2.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
8	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
9	1, 2005]: Sec. 2.2. Two (2) or more school corporations in Indiana
10	may enter into an agreement as specified in IC 36-1-7-3 to jointly
11	purchase any type of insurance described in section 2(14) of this
12	chapter from a person authorized under IC 27 to sell the insurance
13	in Indiana.
14	SECTION 3. IC 20-5-2.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
15	AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
16	UPON PASSAGE]:
17	Chapter 2.7. Cooperative Risk Management Programs
18	Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "aggregate insurance coverage"
19	means the coverage provided by an insurance contract that:
20	(1) is purchased by a cooperative program; and
21	(2) provides excess coverage if the aggregate amount of claims
22	submitted by member school corporations and payable by the
23	self-insurance fund exceeds the total amount of self-insured
24	risk retained by the members in a fiscal year.
25	Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "commissioner" means the
26	insurance commissioner appointed under IC 27-1-1-2.
27	Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "cooperative program" means a
28	cooperative risk management program established under this
29	chapter.
30	Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "examiner" has the meaning set
31	forth in IC 27-1-3.1-4.
32	Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "member" refers to a school
33	corporation that enters into an interlocal agreement with another
34	school corporation to establish a cooperative program.
35	Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "self-insurance fund" means a
36	fund established by a cooperative program as a reserve to cover
37	self-insured risk retained by the members for losses covered under
38	this chapter and to pay premiums for aggregate insurance
39	coverage and specific insurance coverage required under this
40	chapter.
41	Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "service provider" means an
42	individual or entity that enters into a contract with a cooperative



1	program to provide to the cooperative program:
2	(1) administrative;
3	(2) insurance brokerage;
4	(3) claims administration;
5	(4) risk control; or
6	(5) investment management;
7	services.
8	Sec. 8. As used in this chapter, "specific insurance coverage"
9	means the coverage provided by one (1) or more insurance
.0	contracts that:
1	(1) are purchased by a cooperative program; and
2	(2) provide excess coverage for a part of a specific claim that
3	exceeds the amount covered by the self-insurance fund.
4	Sec. 9. (a) Two (2) or more school corporations may enter into
5	an interlocal agreement under IC 36-1-7 to establish a cooperative
6	risk management program through which the school corporations
.7	agree to maintain a program of joint self-insurance to cover
8	certain retained risks and to jointly purchase aggregate insurance
9	coverage and specific insurance coverage, including the following:
20	(1) Casualty insurance, including general and professional
21	liability coverage and student accident insurance.
22	(2) Property insurance.
23	(3) Automobile insurance, including motor vehicle liability
24	insurance coverage and security for motor vehicles owned or
2.5	operated, and protection against other liability and loss
26	associated with the ownership of motor vehicles.
27	(4) Surety and fidelity insurance coverage.
28	(5) Umbrella and excess insurance coverage.
29	(6) Worker's compensation coverage.
50	(b) A cooperative program established under this chapter is a
31	separate legal entity with the power to:
32	(1) sue and be sued;
33	(2) make contracts; and
34	(3) hold and dispose of real and personal property.
55	Sec. 10. Except as provided in this chapter, the development,
66	administration, and operation of a cooperative program does not
57	constitute the business of insurance and a cooperative program is
8	not subject to the insurance laws of Indiana.
9	Sec. 11. (a) A cooperative program shall:
10	(1) establish a self-insurance fund with an aggregate limit on
1	the total amount of self-insured risk retained by the members
12	in a fiscal year; and



1	(2) maintain:
2	(A) aggregate insurance coverage; and
3	(B) specific insurance coverage;
4	that has been reviewed and approved by the commissioner.
5	(b) A self-insurance fund established under subsection (a) must
6	be:
7	(1) actuarially sound; and
8	(2) funded at the beginning of each fiscal year by a
9	contribution from each member in an amount that reflects the
10	member's share of self-insured risk and other costs of the
11	cooperative program.
12	(c) Annual contributions to the self-insurance fund under
13	subsection (b) must be:
14	(1) determined using generally accepted actuarial standards;
15	and
16	(2) set to fund, at the beginning of each fiscal year, at least one
17	hundred percent (100%) of the self-insured risk retained by
18	the members in a fiscal year plus the other costs of the
19	cooperative program, including premiums for aggregate
20	insurance coverage and specific insurance coverage.
21	Sec. 12. (a) An interlocal agreement entered into under section
22	9 of this chapter must:
23	(1) establish the cooperative program as a separate legal
24	entity; and
25	(2) specify the organization, composition, and powers of the
26	governing authority of the cooperative program as required
27	by IC 36-1-7-3.
28 29	(b) The governing authority of the cooperative program shall adopt bylaws, including the following:
29 30	(1) A financial plan setting forth in general terms:
31	(A) the types of risks covered under the cooperative
32	program;
33	(B) the aggregate limit on the total amount of self-insured
34	risk retained by the cooperative program in a fiscal year;
35	(C) the minimum amount of specific insurance coverage
36	and aggregate insurance coverage that must be maintained
37	by the cooperative program; and
38	(D) the procedure for determining each member's annual
39	contribution to the self-insurance fund.
40	(2) A plan of management that provides for:
41	(A) the responsibility of the governing authority with
42	regard to:



1	(i) maintaining the amount of reserves in the	
2	self-insurance fund;	
3	(ii) disposing of surpluses; and	
4	(iii) administering the cooperative program in the event	
5	of termination;	
6	(B) the basis on which new members may be admitted to	
7	the cooperative program;	
8	(C) the basis on which participating members may	
9	withdraw from the cooperative program, including a:	
10	(i) thirty (30) day period at the end of each fiscal year	
11	after the cooperative program's first year of operation	
12	during which a member may withdraw; and	
13	(ii) requirement that a withdrawing member remains	
14	jointly and severally liable for any claim arising during	
15	the period during which the withdrawing member was a	
16	member; and	
17	(D) other provisions necessary or desirable for the	
18	operation of the cooperative program.	
19	(3) A conflict of interest policy for:	
20	(A) employees; and	
21	(B) service providers;	
22	of the cooperative program.	
23	(c) The following must be submitted to and approved by the	
24	commissioner before a cooperative program may commence	
25	operations:	
26	(1) A copy of the interlocal agreement described in subsection	
27	(a).	
28	(2) A copy of the bylaws described in subsection (b).	
29	(3) The form of any insurance contracts purchased by the	
30	cooperative program, including contracts for aggregate	
31	insurance coverage and specific insurance coverage.	
32	(4) An accounting, based on generally accepted actuarial	
33	standards, of sufficient reserves committed to pay obligations	
34	of the cooperative program.	
35	(5) A copy of each coverage document form to be issued by	
36	the cooperative program.	
37	(6) Any other information determined necessary by the	
38	commissioner.	
39	(d) If the commissioner does not disapprove the information	
40	submitted under subsection (c) earlier than thirty (30) days after	
41	the information is submitted, the information is considered	
12	annroyed.	



1	Sec. 13. (a) A cooperative program may enter into a contract	
2	with a service provider to obtain the services of the service	
3	provider.	
4	(b) A contract entered into under subsection (a) must address	
5	the following:	
6	(1) The term of the contract.	
7	(2) The scope of services and responsibilities of the service	
8	provider.	
9	(3) Compensation.	
10	(4) Periodic reporting to the governing authority of the	
11	cooperative program.	
12	(5) The ownership and confidentiality of information and data	
13	utilized by the service provider in performing the service	
14	provider's responsibilities under the contract.	
15	(6) Compliance with the conflict of interest policy established	
16	by the cooperative program.	
17	(7) Indemnification of the cooperative program for negligence	
18	of the service provider and proof of errors and omissions	
19	insurance.	
20	(8) Assignability of the contract.	
21	(9) Competition between the service provider and the	
22	cooperative program during and after the term of the	
23	contract.	
24	(10) Cancellation of the contract.	
25	Sec. 14. (a) A cooperative program shall have an annual audit	
26	performed by an independent certified public accounting firm	
27	according to guidelines established by the department of insurance.	,
28	(b) Not later than one hundred eighty (180) calendar days after	
29	the close of a cooperative program's fiscal year, the cooperative	
30	program must furnish the cooperative program's members with	
31	audited financial statements certified by an independent certified	
32	public accounting firm.	
33	(c) Copies of the audit report and certified financial statements	
34	required under this section must be provided to the commissioner	
35	and the state board of accounts not later than one hundred eighty	
36	(180) calendar days after the close of the cooperative program's	
37	fiscal year.	
38	(d) A cooperative program that fails to meet the deadline	
39	specified in subsection (c) without having obtained an extension	
40	from the commissioner is subject to a civil penalty of fifty dollars	
41	(\$50) per day until the required information is received by the	



commissioner.

1	(e) If a cooperative program fails to have the annual audit	
2	performed as required by subsection (a), the commissioner shall	
3	cause the audit to be performed at the expense of the cooperative	
4	program.	
5	(f) The working papers of the certified public accountant and	
6	other records pertaining to the preparation of the audited financial	
7	statements required under this section may be reviewed by the	
8	commissioner. The cost of a review under this subsection must be	
9	paid by the cooperative program.	
10	Sec. 15. The assets of a cooperative program must be:	1
11	(1) treated as a joint investment fund under IC 20-5-11-5; and	
12	(2) invested under IC 5-13-9 in the same manner as other	
13	public funds.	
14	Sec. 16. Not later than sixty (60) calendar days after the	
15	beginning of a cooperative program's fiscal year, the governing	
16	authority shall submit the following to the commissioner:	4
17	(1) A copy of the bylaws adopted by the cooperative program.	
18	(2) A copy of each coverage document form issued by the	
19	cooperative program.	
20	(3) A copy of the insurance contracts purchased by the	
21	cooperative program, including contracts for aggregate	ı
22	insurance coverage and specific insurance coverage.	
23	(4) A copy of each service provider contract entered into by	
24	the cooperative program.	
25	(5) A copy of the interlocal agreement.	
26	(6) A certification by an independent actuary that the reserves	
27	in the self-insurance fund are adequate to pay the obligations	
28	of the cooperative program.	
29	Sec. 17. (a) If a cooperative program fails to comply with the	1
30	requirements of this chapter, the commissioner shall issue a notice	
31	of noncompliance to the cooperative program.	
32	(b) Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after a cooperative	
33	program receives a notice of noncompliance under subsection (a),	
34	the cooperative program shall file with the commissioner a written	
35	request for time to restore compliance and a plan to restore	
36	compliance.	
37	(c) The commissioner, on receiving the written request and plan	
38	to restore compliance filed under subsection (b), may grant a	
39	period not longer than one (1) year during which the cooperative	
40	program may restore compliance.	
41 42	(d) If a plan to restore compliance is:	
12	(1) not filed under subsection (b);	



1	(2) filed under subsection (b) and not approved by the	
2	commissioner; or	
3	(3) filed under subsection (b), approved by the commissioner,	
4	and at the end of a period granted under subsection (c) the	
5	cooperative program is not in compliance with this chapter;	
6	the commissioner may act to liquidate or rehabilitate the	
7	cooperative program under IC 27-9 as if the cooperative program	
8	were an insurance company.	
9	Sec. 18. (a) The commissioner or an examiner:	_
0	(1) may conduct an examination of a cooperative program	
1	under IC 27-1-3.1 as often as the commissioner, in the	
2	commissioner's sole discretion, considers the examination	
3	appropriate; and	
4	(2) shall conduct an examination of a cooperative program	
.5	under IC 27-1-3.1 at least once every five (5) years.	
6	(b) Upon determining that an examination described in	
.7	subsection (a) is necessary, the commissioner shall issue an	
8	examination warrant:	
9	(1) appointing one (1) or more examiners to perform the	
20	examination; and	
21	(2) instructing the examiners appointed under subdivision (1)	
22	concerning the scope of the examination.	
23	(c) In conducting an examination under this section, an	
24	examiner shall observe the requirements set forth in the NAIC	
25	examiner's handbook (as defined in IC 27-1-3.1-6), to the extent	
26	that the requirements are consistent with this chapter. The	
27	commissioner may employ additional guidelines or procedures	
28	necessary to determine a cooperative program's compliance with	
29	this chapter.	
0	Sec. 19. (a) A cooperative program is subject to IC 27-4-1 as if	
31	the cooperative program were an insurance company.	
32	(b) The rights of a claimant under a cooperative program are in	
33	no event less than the rights of a claimant under an insurance	
34	contract issued by an insurance company authorized to do business	
55	under IC 27.	
66	Sec. 20. The commissioner shall, not later than February 1 of	
37	each year, report to the legislative council in an electronic format	
8	under IC 5-14-6. The report must include the following	
19	information for the previous calendar year:	
10	(1) A description of the scope of the market of coverage	
1	under:	
12	(A) incurance contracts, and	



	(B) cooperative programs;
S	erving school corporations.
(2	2) The number of complaints filed against a cooperative
p	rogram under IC 27-4-1.
(3	3) The number of school corporations participating in
c	ooperative programs.
(4	4) The enrollment and complexity index of each school
c	orporation participating in a cooperative program.
(5	5) The loss history of each cooperative program.
Sec	e. 21. An insurance producer that conducts business with a
cooper	rative program must be licensed as an insurance producer
under	IC 27-1-15.6.
Sec	e. 22. (a) Motor vehicle coverage provided by a cooperative
progra	am must provide the ability for a member to respond in
_	ges for liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or
use of	a motor vehicle in amounts at least equal to the amounts
requir	ed under IC 9-25-4.
(b)	A member that participates in the motor vehicle coverage
provid	led by a cooperative program is considered to meet the
financ	cial responsibility requirements set forth in IC 9-25-4, and an
application for a certificate of self-insurance under IC 9-25-4-11 is	
not re	quired.
Sec	e. 23. Information regarding the:
(1	1) part of funds; or
(2	2) liability reserve;
	ished by a cooperative program to satisfy a specific claim or
cause	of action is confidential and is not subject to subpoena or
order	to produce, except in a supplementary or ancillary
procee	eding to enforce a judgment.
Sec	e. 24. The department of insurance may adopt rules under
IC 4-2	2-2 to implement this chapter.
SEC	CTION 4. IC 21-2-5.6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
FOLL	OWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 2. The
self-in:	surance fund may be used to provide monies for the following
purpos	ses:
(1	1) the payment of any judgment rendered against the school
C	orporation, or rendered against any officer or employee of the
SC	chool corporation for which the school corporation is liable
u	nder IC 34-13-2, IC 34-13-3, or IC 34-13-4 (or IC 34-4-16.5,
IC	C 34-4-16.6, or IC 34-4-16.7 before their repeal);
(2	2) the payment of any claim or settlement for which the school
C	orporation is liable pursuant to IC 34-13-2, IC 34-13-3, or



1 2	IC 34-13-4 (or IC 34-4-16.5, IC 34-4-16.6, or IC 34-4-16.7 before their repeal);	
3	(3) the payment of any premium, management fee, claim, or	
4	settlement for which the school corporation is liable pursuant to	
5	any federal or state statute including but not limited to payments	
6	pursuant to IC 22-3 and IC 22-4; or	
7	(4) the payment of any settlement or claim for which insurance	
8	coverage is permitted under IC 20-5-2-2(14); or	
9	(5) the payment of a contribution to the self-insurance fund of	
10	a cooperative risk management program under	
11	IC 20-5-2.7-11.	
12	SECTION 5. An emergency is declared for this act.	
		0
		p
		V

